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SUBJECT: NPT REVCON: YUGOSLAV ACTION AT CONFERENCE

1. DURING FINAL WEEK OF NPT REVCONF YUGOSLAV DELEGATION

PROVED TO BE MOST DISRUPTIVE ELEMENT AMONG NON-ALIGNED

DELS, AND LAST DELEGATION TO BE BROUGHT UNWILLINGLY

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INTO ACQUIESCENCE WITH DECLARATION ACCEPTABLE TO REUT

OF CONFERENCE.

2. ALTHOUGH A NUMBER OF NON-ALIGNED DELS, PARTICULARLY MEXICO AND ROMANIA, HAD TAKEN ACTIVIST POSITION THROUGHOUT CONFERENCE ON QUESTIONS OF ARMS CONTROL AND SECURITY OF N.N.W.S., IN FINAL DAYS YUGOSLAV DEL WAS MAJOR INFLEXIBLE OBSTACLE TO ACHIEVEMENT OF CONSENSUS ON DECLARATION PROPOSED BY CONFERENCE PRESIDENT. ALL DURING FINAL WEEK, YUGOSLAV DEL DISRUPTED NEGOTIATING WORK AND AT ONE CRITICAL POINT TRIED TO BLOC DRAFTING SESSION, CLAIMING LACK OF INSTRUCTIONS. APPARENTLY YUGOSLAV DEL MADE STRENUOUS ATTEMPT TO CONVINCE NON-ALIGNED GROUP TO REFUSE TO ACCEPT PROPOSED DECLARATION, AND TO INSIST ON INCOMPROMISING LANGUAGE ON ARMS CONTROL AND NNWS SECURITY OR ON PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT FOR NON-ALIGNED PROPOSED PROTOCOLS ON CTB, SALT AND NON-USE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS. IT BECAME NECESSARY FOR NON-ALIGNED LEADERS AS MEXICO, PHILIPPINES AND NIGERIA AS WELL AS PRESIDENT OF CONFERENCE TO GO TO GREAT LENGTHS TO PERSUADE YUGOSLAV DEL FINALLY NOT TO DISRUPT CONSENSUS OR FINAL MEETING.

3. AT FINAL PLENARY OF CONFERENCE YUGOSLAV DEL STATED THAT WHILE IT DID NOT REPEAT NOT STAND IN WAY OF CONSENSUS, IF DECLARATION HAD BEEN PUT TO VOTE IT WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN ABLE TO PARTICIPATE. HE STATED THAT NWS HAD FAILED TO FULFILL THEIR NPT OBLIGATIONS WITH REGARD TO HALTING NUCLEAR TESTING AND THE ARMS RACE, AND PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO NNWS FOR PEACEFUL USES OF NUCLEAR ENERGY. HE SAID THAT FINAL DECLARATION DID NOT REFLECT CONFERENCE DELIBERATIONS AND NNWS CONCERNS, AND THAT, AS A RESULT, YUGOSLOVIA WOULD HAVE TO "RE-EXAMINE ITS ATTITUDES TOWARD NPT AND "DRAW CORRESPONDING CONSLUSIONS." HE DID NOT FURTHER ELABORATE ON THIS IMPLIED THREAT.

4. FOR BELGRADE: WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION AND INSIGHT YOU MAY HAVE ON REASONS FOR YUGOSLAV ACTIONS AND IMPLICATIONS OF YUGOSLAV STATEMENTS AT CONFERENCE. YUGOSLAV ACTIONS ARE PROBABLY RELATED, OR AT LEAST IN PART, TO THEIR SPECIFIC SECURITY CONCERNS. WE HAVE BEEN TOLD BY UK DEL THAT YUGOSLAVS HAVE OUTLINED TO THEM

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FOLLOWING CONCERN: CONVENTIONALLY, YUGOSLAVIA MAY BE ABLE TO MAKE SOVIET AGRESSION DIFFICULT ENOUGH TO BE UNATTRACTIVE. HOWEVER, IF SOVS EXTENSIVELY USED TACTICAL NUCLEAR WEAPONS, YUGOSLAVIA MIGHT BE ABLE TO PRESENT NO SIGNIFICANT RESISTANCE. HENCE GOAL WOULD BE TO OUTLAW TACTICAL NUCLEAR WEAPONS, OR AT LEAST RALLY WORLD OPINION AGAINST ANY USE OF SUCH WEAPONS. DALE

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